ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE ACTION MINUTES

August 5, 2004

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE.

Members Present

Ashley, Marion

Clark, Margaret (Vice Chair)

Cook, Debbie

Feinstein, Michael Forester, Larry

Harrison, Jon

Krause, Mary Ann

Kuiper, Hank (Chair)

Marchand, Paul

Miller, Michael

Portantino, Anthony

Washburn, Dennis

Young, Toni

Members Absent

Eckenrode, Norman

Nelson, Larry

Van Arsdale, Lori

Yoon, Art

Representing

Riverside County

Rosemead

Huntington Beach

Santa Monica

Signal Hill

Redlands

Santa Paula

Imperial County

Cathedral City

West Covina

LaCanada/Flintridge

Calabasas

Port Hueneme

Representing

Placentia

Artesia

Hemet

Hermosa Beach

Approved by:

Sylvia Patsaouras, Manager,

Energy and Environment

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1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Chair, Hank Kuiper, called the meeting of the Energy and Environment Committee (EEC) to order at 10:30 a.m. Chair Kuiper introduced the new staff member, Laverne Jones, who would be replacing Lisa Taylor as the Secretary for the Committee. Chair Kuiper then asked for Lisa Taylor to be brought to the meeting room for the specific purpose of thanking her for her assistance to the Committee. The EEC members thanked Lisa for her hard work and support of the Committee.

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None.

3.0 REVIEW and PRIORITIZE AGENDA

No changes

4.0 CONSENT CALENDAR

4.1 Approval Item

4.1.1 Action Minutes – June 3, 2004

4.2 Receive and File

- 4.2.1 SCAG Legislative Matrix
- 4.2.2 Intergovernmental Review (IGR)

MOTION by Young, SECONDED by Marchand, and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED by the Energy and Environment Committee.

5.0 ACTION ITEMS

5.1 CALFED Bay-Delta Improvements Package

Randall Neudeck, MWD, presented to the Committee Resolution #04-454-1 to urge state and federal authorities to fund and implement coordination on water issues.

MOTION by Young, SECONDED by Marchand, and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED by the Energy and Environment Committee to forward Resolution #04-454-1 to the Regional Council for their support.

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6.0 <u>INFORMATION ITEMS</u>

6.1 <u>Update on the Salton Sea Reclamation Studies and Actions by the Salton</u> Sea Authority

The Committee was briefed by Rick Hoffman, Riverside County staff, on recent studies and Salton Sea Authority actions related to reclamation of the Salton Sea. The Committee requested staff to draft a resolution for SCAG's support of the Preferred Alternative Restoration Plan selected by the Salton Sea Authority.

6.2 <u>Liquid Natural Gas (LNG) Facilities</u>

The Committee received two presentations on Liquid Natural Gas Facilities. David L. Huard, Partner in the law firm of Manatt, Phelps, and Phillips, gave background information on such facilities. Thomas E. Giles, Executive Vice President of Sound Energy Solutions, gave a presentation on a proposed LNG project in the City of Long Beach.

6.3 <u>Intergovernmental Review Year 2003 Activity Report</u>
The item was carried over to the September 2004 meeting.

7.0 WATER POLICY TASK FORCE REPORT

Chair Dennis Washburn informed the Committee that a Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Board Workshop will be held at SCAG on August 16, 2004 from 9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

8.0 CHAIRS' REPORT

EEC Chair Hank Kuiper informed the Committee that item 4.3 in today's Regional Council agenda would be pulled and brought back to the Regional Council in September. The EEC approved this item, Resolution #04-453-1 to encourage adoption of Local Building Energy Efficiency Ordinances, at the June 2004 meeting.

9.0 STAFF REPORT

Sylvia Patsaouras, SCAG staff, reported that at today's Transportation and Communications Committee and Regional Council meetings, staff was asking for additional time on the Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP). The RTIP was scheduled for approval at the TCC/RC August 2004 meeting, but staff would need more time to do further analysis of funding and timely implementation issues, pursue regional strategies for overcoming funding obstacles, respond to FHWA's concerns, and conduct inter-agency consultation. The RTIP would be agendized for TCC and the RC in September.

Sylvia also suggested that the Intergovernmental Clearinghouse Report no longer be mailed out with the Committee and Regional Council agendas. The Committee agreed that since the Report is posted on the web, hard copies are not necessary.

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10.0 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Clean Cities
AB 2006
Intergovernmental Review Report
Salton Sea Resolution
Water Quality Control Report

11.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS

EEC member Michael Feinstein, Santa Monica, announced that he would be hosting a group of Iraqi local government officials.

EEC member Larry Forester, Signal Hill, discussed a meeting to be held at MWD on September 2 to discuss heavy metals.

EEC member Dennis Washburn, the new President of the League of California Cities, Los Angeles County division, announced a League meeting on August 5th in Calabasas at 6:30 p.m.

12.0 ADJOURNMENT

Committee adjourned at 12:14 p.m.